



**DARCY SCHROER** 

The Smith Muse House was built in 1905 by Alfred Fletcher Smith, Jr. Before it was moved to Frisco's Heritage Center, the home was located near the intersection of FM 423 and Hackberry Road. Renovations to restore the original prairie-style exterior are expected to begin in a couple of months.

Frisco's Heritage Center is expected to open sometime next spring. Among the features of the working village are an 18,000 square-foot museum, log cabin, school house, train depot with a 1910 steam engine, the restored Lebanon Baptist Church, Crozier Covington Sickles and Smith Muse Houses, plus a Babe's Chicken Dinner House.

ness will even attract citizens who are

In the middle of Frisco's bustle and boom you can catch glimpses of the city's rich history. A variety of sculptures pay tribute to the days of cattle drives. The names of schools and roads honor people who lived their lives serving their fellow Frisco citizens.

Nowhere will the homage to history be more evident than at the Frisco Heritage Center, now under construction. The first phase is expected to open in spring of 2008. The park sits on six acres south of Main Street, and east of the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center.

The project was born out of the Heritage Association's desire to make sure progress does not swallow up traces

of the past. So with a short walk from the new development in Frisco Square, Heritage Center guests can step back in

The City of Frisco and Frisco Comm-Development Corporation, in collabwith the Heritage Association of Frisco, are working together to make sure the park is as authentic as possible. Guests will be immersed in

the sights and sounds of a bygone era.

new to the area. "I think for new people moving here, they want to instill on

their children a sense of history about the Heritage Center place they live", said Pete Hosp, Heritage progressing to Center Coordinator. "There's an apprecia-

tion of history... whether you have been a Frisco citizen for one month or for decades'

e sights and sounds of a bygone era.

The City hopes that sense of timelesswhat is called a "working village".

Workers will dress in period costumes, and guests will be able to step inside many of the structures under renovation or construction.

Two homes in the park were built in the Frisco-area more than a century ago.

The Crozier Covington Sickles House, from the Victorian era of the late 1800s, in the old Lebanon community on Preston Road. The Smith Muse house was built in 1905 by Alfred Fletcher Smith, Jr. near the intersection of Hackberry Road and FM

Time has taken a harsh toll on both homes, but the process of restoring them

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# State of the City

preserve the past

This month I thought I would give you a summary of a speech I gave on Friday, July 13, to members and guests of the Frisco Chamber of Commerce. While there were about 220 people in attendance, the rest of our citizens have not seen or heard of the contents of my speech. Between now and May of 2008, I plan to host another opportunity to 'recap' what is going on in the city where many more may attend. I appreciate our Chamber of Commerce asking me to speak and commend the Chamber for its excellent job in putting on their business luncheon. We were pleased to have U.S. Congressman Sam Johnson and his wife, Shirley, in attendance, as well as our new



Mayor's Message

Mike Simpson

Secretary of State Phil Wilson.

The theme of the State of the City was "Frisco IS" and ties to a common theme that is being used by the city, our Convention and Visitors Bureau and our Economic Development Corporation as we promote the city and attract new residents, businesses and visitors to Frisco. The "IS" in FRISCO was the emphasis.

## Frisco IS A City on the Move

Of the \$ 197.5 million in the 2002 Bond Election that our citizens passed overwhelmingly, all but the \$19 million for the Arts of Collin County project has been spent or committed to projects. In the past year, we have opened the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center, which houses our new City Hall and Library; the new Police Station; Central Fire Station and Safety Town; and, in October or November, we will open our new Recreation and

Aquatic Center. In addition, the second phase of our Senior Center is under construction and will be complete later this fall, and the Frisco Heritage Center first phase will be open in early 2008. We have also opened Fire Station #5, and #6 is projected in April 2008.

The 2006 Bond Election for \$198 million includes \$100 million in new roads and \$43 million for new parks, trails and the first phase of the Grand Park. We sold \$50 million in bonds in FY 2006 and \$44.1 million in bonds in FY 2007 and have projected sales over the next three years.

I was excited to share the Dallas North Tollway extension – all the way up to U.S.

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## Frisco Fire Safety Town Sign Up

Frisco ISD schools, along with Frisco private and home schools, can now make reservations for Frisco Fire Safety Town classes for the 2007-2008 academic year. Classes are free of charge and cover safety topics based on grade level.

SEPTEMBER 4 — NOVEMBER 30
3rd Bicycle & Wheel Safety
4th Severe Weather

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DECEMBER 3 — MARCH 7

Internet Safety

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MARCH 10 — JUNE 5

1st Motor Vehicle Safety

2nd Fire Safety

Since its February opening, more than 15,000 people have visited Frisco Fire Safety Town, from cities across Texas, 10 states other than Texas, and four foreign countries, which include Argentina, Jamaica, El Salvador and South Korea!

3,500 of those visitors are children who attended Summer Safety Programs since May 29.

There is still time to attend summer programs. Online registration is available at www.friscofire.com, or you can call (972) 292-6350.

## Frisco firefighter honored



Frisco Firefighter and Paramedic, Jacob Leeper, received a Great First Responder Award from CareFlite and the North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Committee at the 2007 Emergency Care Update Conference in Arlington. This was the first year that Great First Responder Awards were given, and the Frisco Fire Department is proud to have Jacob as a recipient.

Jake graduated from Frisco High School in May of 2001, and graduated from Fire Academy in November of 2002. He became a volunteer firefighter for the Frisco Fire Department in February of 2003, and was hired as a career firefighter in May of 2003.



(Pictured left to right: Frisco Fire Chief, Mack Borchardt; Mayor Mike Simpson; Texas Secretary of State, Phil Wilson)
On July 13, Chief Borchardt and Mayor Simpson hopped on two wheels to give Texas' Secretary of State a tour of Frisco Fire Safety Town. Of course they played it safe, taking their helmets along for the ride.

## **PRESERVATION**

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to their original glory is expected to begin in the next few months.

Work on the Lebanon Baptist Church is almost complete. The restored church dates back to the late 1800s. The church will still be used for church services and will be available to rent for weddings.

The replica train depot will sit on the east side of the park. The building will be modeled after the original Frisco depot, with one major modification. It will function as a banquet hall, with enough space to accommodate 150 people.

The depot will feature several vintage railroad artifacts. One you can already see sitting on the tracks today is a fully restored 1910 steam locomotive, which originally traveled the San Francisco-St Louis rail line.

One building will be designed after the 1930's Gaby's blacksmith shop that was located in Downtown Frisco. "We've got most of the equipment that was in there. It will have a dirt floor and a forge," said Hosp. "We've even got somebody lined up to make horseshoes".

Construction is now underway on the one-room school house, which is a joint venture with the City and Frisco Independent School District. A general store is also planned.

One of the modern touches will be a Babe's Chicken Dinner House. The restaurant will have an old-fashioned exterior, and will be open for business seven days a week.

The most prominent building of the park is the 18,000 square foot Heritage Center Museum. In addition to items native to Frisco, it will become the new home of the Bolin Antique Collection, currently on display in McKinney. The artifacts include an early 1900s Texas parlor, bedroom, kitchen and farm tools; as well as cars and wagons.

The museum will also feature a video exhibit. In their own words, long-time Frisco citizens, past and present, recount their memories of Frisco's "old-days".

Frisco voters approved funds for the Heritage Center through two bond elections. The first in 2002, allocated \$3.5 million for acquisition and infrastructure. The second in 2006, allocated an additional \$2 million for the project, including construction costs for the Heritage Center Museum.

Many private contributions both small and large also make the Heritage Center possible. Members of Frisco's Heritage Association will also be donating hundreds of Frisco artifacts just waiting to find new life at the Heritage Center.

Check out friscoheritage. org to learn more about the Heritage Association of Frisco.

## Summer fun at the Senior Center at Frisco Square

Tickets are available for the Red, White, and Boots Dance. Polish your boots and keep out that red, white and blue attire. The Senior Center at Frisco Square is hosting another Country and Western Dance featuring the sweet sounds of Southern Pride.

The dance will be held Saturday, August 18, from 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Invite your friends and family out for a fun evening of dancing, great music, refreshments and door prizes.

Tickets are on sale now at the Senior Center, 6670 Moore St., or may be purchased by mail. Advanced tickets are \$4, or \$6 at the door.

For information on this event and other happenings at the Senior Center, please call (972) 292-6550.

# National Night Out at the Senior Center

The Senior Center at Frisco Square will join neighbors throughout Frisco by celebrating National Night Out with a summer cookout. Hot dogs will be provided by Heritage Bridge and the Senior Center will provide potato salad, chips and sweet summer fruit. Come out and meet some new friends in your community! For information on the Senior Center National Night Out activities, call (972) 292-6550.

## **We Need You!**

The Frisco Parks & Recreation department is looking for fun, friendly individuals to join our team at the new Recreation & Aquatic Center. This is your chance to become part of something big!

You will be working in a one-of-a-kind facility, with the opportunity to meet lots of new people. Full-time and part-time positions are available in the following areas:

## **AQUATICS**

- Lifeguards
- Water Safety Aides
- Water Safety Instructors

## CUSTOMER SERVICE

- Stay 'N Play Attendants
- Customer Service Assistants

## RECREATION

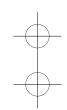
- Recreation Leaders
- Program Instructors

To learn about these positions and how to apply, visit the City's website at www.FriscoTexas.gov.

Contract positions will also be available. Please contact the following people if you are interested in these positions:

Personal Trainers & Fitness Instructors – Scott Dunn (972) 292-6508

Water Aerobics Instructors – Stephanie Darimont (972) 377-1773





## Frisco Public Library's Fourth Floor is haven for adults

## **LORI CARSON**

ADULT SERVICES LIBRARIAN

Come spend some time during the last few days of summer at the Frisco Public Library. It is a great place for children to expand their minds. Grown-ups in the family will find many services to enjoy too, whether you are searching for a book, hunting down elusive information, or just seeking a quiet place to log on to the Internet.

The Adult Services section on

"Quiet Zone", meaning no cell phones or other loud noises are allowed. If you require a more private environment, two study rooms are available by reservation. Anyone can sign up for a study room at the "Ask Us" desk.

The fourth floor also boasts several collections of materials General Fiction, including Romance, Inspirational Fiction, Science Fiction/Fantasy/Horror, Mystery/Suspense/Thriller,

the entire fourth floor is labeled a Historical Fiction, Westerns, Biographies, Non-fiction, Genealogy, Reference, Graphic (Animated) Novels.

> 24 computers, complete with Internet access, are available for public use on the fourth floor alone. Many more are available for adults on the first floor in the computer lab. Wireless Internet access is available on all floors of the library.

> Another service offered for adults is a large variety of databas

es. Some of our newer ones include:

- Auto Repair Reference Center contains information on most major manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles, with repair information for most vintage makes. Database content includes approximately 26,000 vehicles from 1945 to present
- Rosetta Stone immerses you completely in a new language, so you'll learn quickly and retain what you learn. Choose from 30

languages on CD-ROM or online.

Testing and Education Reference Center with Career Center can be used to search thousands of college and graduate school entries. Many people use it to identify scholarships. The database also offers on-line practice tests and test prep eBooks.

For a calendar of upcoming events and more information on our numerous services, please visit www.friscolibrary.com, or call us at (972) 292-5669.



## Chunk Your Junk

The next Chunk Your Junk event will be Saturday, August 18 from 8 a.m. until noon at Frisco Public Works, 11300 Research Rd. For directions to the facility call (972) 292-5900 or go to FriscoTexas.gov.

You can bring the following items for safe disposal, recycling, or donation:

- •Appliances (tagged Freon free)
- Exercise Equipment
- •Carpet, Fencing
- •Cell phones Furniture.
- •Computers/Printers,
- ·Lawn brush/tree limbs,
- •Fax Machines

•Old clothes and other items to be donated to charity.

A free paper shredding service will be provided. A four box limit per household will be accepted, size not to exceed 12" W x 15.5" L. No commercial accounts

Household chemicals (paints, pesticides, sol-



This sea of computers is just a fraction of the discarded items the City of Frisco collected at an April "Chunk Your Junk" event.

vents, gasoline, all batteries, etc.) will be collected at the Environmental Collection Center, located at 6726 Walnut St. in conjunction with the Chunk Your Junk event. None of these household chemicals will be collected at the Public Works building

## Wild about 'Harry'



Connor and Briana Quigley, a.k.a. Henry and Hermione, donned their robes as the perfect Hogwarts students. Connor was one of the costume contest winners.

"Joe" Marcial loves to keep Frisco's parks and sidewalks clean of litter and pet waste. The clever canine never leaves home without a litter bag. He reminds his owner that reusing old plastic bags to collect trash is a great way to keep Frisco beautiful and conserve natural

Do you have a recycling helper at home? Take a picture of your pet helping to keep Frisco "Clean and Green" and they could win a GREEN TEAM pet surprise package. Send photos to jstarritt@FriscoTexas.gov, or to Environmental Pets at 11300 Research Rd. Frisco, TX 75034.

On Saturday, July 21, the Frisco Public Library magically transformed into the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. The spell was cast to celebrate the release of author J.K. Rowling's final book in the Harry Potter series, "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows.'

Hogwarts students had fun playing Harry Potter trivia, making magic wands out of pretzel sticks and writing secret messages. Children dressed up as their favorite character, and five lucky winners took home a copy of the latest book.

## **City recommends 'one-inch'** rule to conserve water

Abundant rainfall has the lakes that supply the North Texas Municipal Water District back to healthy levels, and the slew of good soakings has most Frisco lawns and gardens thriv-

With the drought behind us, city leaders chose to transition from drought restrictions back to the City of Frisco water conservation plan. The plan, previously passed by the Frisco City Council, became effective again

The water conservation plan calls on citizens to continue to use water wisely, rain or shine. City officials recommend a "oneinch" rule to keep established lawns and landscapes healthy. On average, Dallas Forth Wortharea lawns lose an inch of moisture per week, which is evaporated back into the air.

Citizens can effectively replace the moisture lost by watering two-days a week, no more than once on those two days. The City of Frisco Water Conservation Plan allows citizens to choose the two days they want to water.

The ordinance still enforces time-of-day restrictions. Citizens are not allowed to water between the hours of 5 a.m. and 8 a.m. and between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., or anytime it is raining.

Excessive outdoor watering that leads to runoff to paved areas and the use of automatic irrigation system in need of repair are also prohibited. For a free irrigation audit, contact Mike Barth at (972) 292-5844.

For optimal watering results, those with automatic irrigation systems should use the soak/cycle method. Set irrigation zone run times for five minutes for sprays (10 minutes for rotors), then operate three consecutive, complete system

Water customers may also want to consider upgrading their existing sprinkler systems with a water-saving device called an ET Frisco's controller. Controller Rebate Program offers a one-time, \$100 rebate on your water bill.

Outdoor water uses that are allowed under the water conservation plan include the operation of ornamental fountains, power washing equipment, and water use to construct, repair or fill of swimming pools. Vehicle washing is also allowed if a hand-held hose and spray nozzle are used.

To read the entire Water Conservation Plan or to learn more about the ET Controller Rebate Program, go online to friscotexas.gov. Then click on the water conservation image at the top of the home page.

## **Homebuyer Help**

Looking to hang your hat in Frisco? The City offers two down payment assistance programs through the Housing Trust Fund for first-time homebuyers. These programs are available to help low and moderate income families with an adult who works full-time in the city limits.

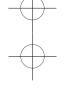
The City of Frisco hosts an 8 hour HUD-approved homebuyer training program throughout the year. The next class happens August 18.

To find out if you qualify, and how to apply for the program, go online to friscotexas gov and click on the Projects/Programs tab, then choose Down Payment Assistance. You may also call (972) 292-5114 for more









# **EST20**

The City of Frisco's Mayor Mike Simpson and City Council, along with City staff thank everyone who made Frisco Freedom Fest 2007 a starspangled success!

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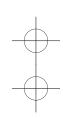
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## HOMETOWN HAPPENINGS

## **August 6**

■ Frisco Public Arts Board Meeting, Conference Room 5A, 6:30 p.m.

## August 7

Downtown Advisory Board Meeting, Conference Room 5A, 12 p.m.

## August 8

- Convention Visitors Bureau (CVB), TBD, 12 p.m.
- Arts of Collin County (ACC), City of Allen 4 p.m.
- Housing Trust Fund, Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.
- City Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.

## August 9

Parks and Recreation Meeting, Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.

## August 13

■ Frisco Square Municipal Management District Meeting, Conference Room 3A, 4:30p.m.

## August 14

Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Meeting, Council Chambers 6:30 p.m.

## August 15

 Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors Meeting (EDC), 6801 Gaylord Parkway, 6 p.m.

#### August 16

Community Development Corporation (CDC) Meeting, Conference Room 3A, 6:30 p.m.

## August 20

■ Frisco Neighborhood Watch General Meeting Police Department, 7:30p.m.

## **August 21**

City Council Meeting, Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.

#### August 22

Urban Forestry Board, 6726 Walnut Street, 6:30 p.m.

## August 23

- North Texas Municipal Water District Meeting, 505 East Brown Street, Wylie, TX. 4 p.m.
- Frisco Public Library Foundation Board
  Meeting, Library Programming Room, 7 p.m.

## August 28

- Heritage Association, Council Chambers, 10:00a.m.
- Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Meeting, Council Chambers 6:30 p.m.

## Police and Fire Programs educate citizens

## Citizen's Fire Academy

The Frisco Fire Department is accepting applications for the Citizens' Fire Academy (CFA) Class No. 20, starting September 6. CFA classes provide the community with information about the operation and organization of the Frisco Fire Department.

CFA classes cover an array of themes including fire ground operations, emergency medical services, arson investigation and fire safety education. In addition to classroom instruction, CFA participants will have many opportunities for hands on activities, including fire extinguisher training, going inside a burning building while

dressed in bunker gear, and riding with Frisco Fire personnel as they respond to actual emergency calls.

Applications are available for download at www.friscofire.com, or can be picked up at any Frisco Fire Station. This nine-week program meets on Thursday nights from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

## Citizen Police Academy accepting applicants

Step into the shoes of a Frisco Police Officer. Registration is now underway for the latest Citizens Police Academy. CPA Class No. 22 begins September 13. The class meets on Thursday nights for ten weeks. The purpose of the CPA is to give our citizens an idea of just a few of the many day-to-day functions of the Frisco Police Department. The program involves "handson" activities, such as: actual crime scene processing, hand-to-hand defensive tactics, pistol shooting, high-risk traffic stops and much more.

In order to attend, you will need to fill out an application and a waiver of liability.

Since the class size is limited to 25 participants, we encourage you to enroll as early as possible. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Officer G. Covington at (972) 292-6134, or by e-mail at gcovington@friscotexas.gov.

## **STATE OF THE CITY**

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380 — will open in September. Our 'State of the City' address also highlighted state roadway projects (TxDOT) including F.M. 423, Eldorado Parkway, Preston Road, 3537 (Main St. from Preston to Custer) and S.H. 121. You can get a complete detail on all these state roads by going our city's website at www.friscotexas.gov. Click on 'Communications' and find 'State of the City' in the drop down menu. You can also find it by clicking on 'Government' and then 'Mayor'. I also highlighted the status of local roads such as Parkwood Drive, Legacy, Panther Creek Pkwy and other Frisco roads. We have spent — or will spend by the end of this fiscal year — \$239.9 million on our Frisco controlled roads. Again, this does not include what the state will spend on its Frisco roadway projects (noted above).

## Frisco IS A City with Focus

Our Seven Strategic Focus areas, which I covered in detail in last month's newsletter along with our 2006-2007 Priorities, were also reviewed. Our population is now more than 96,000 and we are projected to grow to 260,000-280,000 by 2025. Frisco has grown by 182% since 2000. Forbes magazine listed Frisco #7 among the fastest growing cities in the U.S. Our current value of an average single-family home is \$268,974 and our Median Household Income average is \$105,975 — up from \$79,149 at the time of the 2000 Census.

We covered the positive aspects of growth like our high sales tax revenues and our increasing property tax value which is projected to hit \$12.1 billion in 2008. These two factors and our expanding business tax base help keep our city tax rate one of the lowest in the entire DFW area. The percent of the tax rate devoted to maintenance and operations is trending down. Any reason for tax rates being higher than previous years is due to voter approved bonds. We have always ended up with a lower tax rate than we projected when we sought approval of bond elections.

## Frisco IS Making Art of Business

This section of the State of the City showed we have brought many large companies to Frisco over the past three to four years including T-Mobile, Sanyo Energy, AmerisourceBergen, IntegraSys and many others, which all together have added more than 6,000 new jobs since 2004. Our Economic Development Corporation has done an excellent job in bringing corporate headquarters; technology companies; health, medical and life science companies; financial services and entertainment venues to Frisco. The presentation not only highlighted the major retail centers that continue to move here but also showed there are five new hotels either under construction or in the planning stages with more to come.

Our Convention and Visitors Bureau is doing a great job helping fill up our Conference Center and bringing major events and business conferences to Frisco. Our Dr Pepper Ballpark, Dr Pepper StarCenter, Frisco Conference Center and Pizza Hut Park, as well as our Superdrome, continue to bring major sports and entertainment events to our city. There are too many commercial and retail projects to list here, but they are shown on the 'State of the City' presentation located on the website

## Frisco IS A New Way to Look at the World

We highlighted our Frisco Independent School District and the huge growth it is seeing each year. More than 23,200 students are now enrolled and FISD is projected to grow to more than 32,000 students in 2008. From 2000-2006, the FISD has grown by 114% and outpaced the next highest district, which showed a 52% increase. Our citizens passed a \$798 million FISD bond issue in May 2006 to continue to build the needed schools. We also showed that despite this growth, our FISD tax rate of 1.58 is lower than Allen, McKinney and many other cities in this area.

Our water conservation programs were featured with a slide showing a savings of 2.84 billion gallons just in Frisco since June of 2006. This means Frisco had a reduction in water billing to our citizens that exceeded \$7 million over the past year. Our Green Building program has resulted in more than 10,199 homes built under this program since May 2001 and another 19,063 homes platted that will be built as Green Building homes. We are a leader in this program throughout the U.S.

Finally, this section featured our concentration on the arts with our Public Arts

Program adding art to all capital projects. We featured art along Preston Road, Pizza Hut Park, in our municipal buildings and in our parks. We also showcased 'art' contributions by our local developers like Craig Hall, of Hall Office Park. We also gave a progress report on the Arts of Collin County Project.

## Frisco IS A Bunch of Fun

In Frisco, we're able to enjoy award winning sports venues for baseball, hockey, soccer and cycling. We also highlighted our gymnastics centers and the new Recreation and Aquatic Center. We featured our nationally recognized Parks and Recreation Department which exceeds the national standards for park acres per 1,000 residents with our number at 17.45 acres. The national standard is 10 acres per 1,000. We reviewed more than \$67 million in park projects underway and gave folks an update on the Parks and Trails Master Plan. We showed off our new city logo, and methods of how we communicate with you our citizens were reviewed. Our communication tools include our city newsletter, Focal Point, as well as our government access cable channel programs on Channels 12 & 16, our Frisco Today newscast and the e-mail list serve that sends messages and press releases to all who sign

Our final slide recapped my top 10 goals to achieve over my final 10 months in office and I will feature those in another Mayor's Message. There are 10 things I think make Frisco a great city! They are: Progressive Planning, First Rate City Facilities, Booming Job Market, Excellent Housing, Low Tax Rates, Retail & Shopping, Sports Entertainment & Tourism, Outstanding School District, Commitment to Family Living and CITIZENS WHO CARE.

Frisco IS 'A Great Place to Live, Work, Play, and Grow'.

Frisco IS 'Progress in Motion'.

## Thank you Mike Simpson, Mayor

TO SEE THE ENTIRE 'STATE OF THE CITY' PRESENTATION, GO TO WWW.FRISCOTEXAS.GOV.



# Crime Fighters' 'Night Out'

More than 75 Frisco neighborhood groups have already registered for National Night Out block parties, and there is still time to register your neighborhood.

Tuesday night, August 7 will mark the 13th year Frisco has participated in National Night Out (NNO). National Night Out is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and co-sponsored by the Frisco Police Department and Frisco Neighborhood Watch.

Neighborhoods throughout Frisco will join forces with thousands of communities nationwide. Spend an evening outdoors getting to know your neighbors better, while learning about crime and drug prevention from police.

Police, firefighters, Mayor Mike Simpson and other city officials will visit NNO block parties throughout the city. The usual timeframe for NNO block parties is 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. You must register your block party to make sure your community receives an official police or fire visit.

Register now by filling out the

form on this page, or by downloading a form from the City of Frisco Web site: www.friscotexas.gov. Online registration is also available. Return the form no later than August 6.

Canned goods collection

National Night Out is also a chance for citizens to show they care. Frisco Neighborhood Watch requests community organizers hold a canned food drive to benefit Frisco Family Services.

Contact Frisco Family Services at (972) 335-9495 to get more information on the center's needs and to make arrangements to drop off donations following National Night Out.

## Police vs. Fire hit the court

The National Night Out Frisco Police vs. Frisco Fire Charity Basketball Game will be held at the Frisco High School Gymnasium on Saturday, August 4 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

The game will help kick off National Night Out events. All proceeds will go to the Frisco Chapter Special Olympics.

In addition to the game, there will be a silent auction and appearances by local sports mascots.

Contact Officer Robert Monts at (972) 292-6139, or rmonts@friscotexas.gov, if you need additional information.







## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT FRISCO, TEXAS - AUGUST 7, 2007 EVENT/PARTY REGISTRATION FORM

NNO PARTY/EVENT COORDINATOR: NAME:
ADDRESS:
PHONE NUMBER:
EMAIL ADDRESS:
NNO PARTY/EVENT LOCATION:
COMMUNITY NAME:
TIME / DATE OF PARTY* Start: Finish:  (*Please include date if party will not be on Aug. 7th)
THE USE OF CITY OWNED TRAFFIC CONES REQUIRES A \$100.00 CHECK DEPOSIT.  Cones may be picked up and returned before 4 pm, Monday through Friday at the Department of Public Works 11300 Research Road (972-292-5800). Deposit check will be returned upon the return of the traffic cones. Con must be returned within 3 days from the end of the event. A fee will be assessed for lost or unreturned cones ( \$25.00 per cone. A maximum of 10 cones issued per event. PLEASE DO NOT USE VEHICLES TO BLOCK OF STREETS. TRASH & RECYCLING CONTAINERS MAY BE USED IN LIEU OF CONES.
SPECIAL ACTIVITIES PLANNED:
REQUESTED VISITS:
(POLICE, FIRE, CITY OFFICIAL, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER)
FRISCO FAMILY SERVICES CENTER

## \*\*\*URGENT - FOOD NEEDED\*\*\* SUPPORT FRISCO FAMILY SERVICES CENTER BY SPONSORING A FOOD DRIVE AT YOUR NNO BLOCK PARTY

Frisco Neighborhood Watch is encouraging party organizers to sponsor a food drive to benefit Frisco Family Services Center (FFSC), a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide social services to Frisco individuals/families in need. FFSC is experiencing a food shortage and urgently needs your help. Please contact Frisco Family Services Center at (972) 335-9495 to get more information and to arrange for drop-off of donations following NNO.

Please note that you can go to the official National Night Out website at: http://www.nationalnightout.org/nno/nno\_party.html to get party ideas and to order National Night Out merchandise. DO NOT REGISTER YOUR BLOCK PARTY ON THIS SITE!

## Please Return Completed Form To:

Frisco Police Department Attr: Community Services Division 7200 Stonebrook Pkwy Frisco, TX 75034

Phone (972) 292-6139/6134 / Fax (972) 292-6076 Email: Rmonts/Efriscotexas.gov FOR OFFICIAL USE

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

## Living the 'green' life

Jump start National Night Out with a day at the park. This year's Green Home Health & Safety Fair happens August 4, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Frisco Commons Park.

The free, family-friendly event features activities to boost your health and well being through green living. Come enjoy a day of learning how to take better care of yourself and the environment.

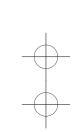
The Parks and Recreation

Department will host the 2nd Annual Wiffle Ball Homerun Derby at the fair.

Proceeds from the Derby will benefit the Miracle League of Frisco. The derby's sponsor, Dick's Sporting Goods, will also provide prizes for the raffle drawing.

The Urban Forestry Board will also lead tree tours around Frisco Commons Park.







# **Monthly Project Update**

Our city web site has the most current information on these projects. Go to friscotexas.gov. Click on the Departments tab. Then choose Engineering. Next, click on Construction, then Project Update.

## 1 CR 712 (Frisco St - North County)

Scope: Complete four lane roadway (Frisco St - RR Crossing) and two lane roadway (RR Crossing - North County)

Est. completion of design is

## 2 DNT Phase 3 Section XI-N

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from Gaylord Parkway to Platinum Parkway.

Est. open to traffic September

## 3 DNT Phase 3 Section XII-N

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from north of Eldorado Parkway to US 380. Project also includes construction of the Southbound service roads from Eldorado Parkway to

Est. open to traffic September

## 4 DNT Phase 3 Section XII-S

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from Platinum Parkway to north of Eldorado Parkway. Project also includes construction of the Southbound service roads from Main Street to Eldorado Parkway.

Est. open to traffic September

#### 5 Eldorado Pkwy (DNT -Preston)

Scope: Construct the northern two lanes. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane roadway with median and includes three lanes of the overpass at the BNSF RR. Landscaping, irrigation, and street lighting are included in this project.

Est. completion of design is

## 6 FM 2934/Eldorado Pkwy (DNT - FM 423)

Scope: Replace existing twolane asphalt roadway with a sixlane concrete roadway with median. This project will be constructed by TxDOT. Currently, land is being acquired for the road widening.

## 7 FM 3537 Improvements (Custer-Preston)

Scope: Replace existing twolane asphalt roadway with a sixlane concrete roadway with median. This project will be let by

Est. start of construction is October 2008.

## 8 FM 423 Improvements (Eldorado - Stewart Creek)

Scope: Replace existing twolane asphalt roadway with sixlane concrete roadway with median, curb, and gutter. Completion of design is pending TxDOT (Austin) approval.

Est. start of construction is

## 9 FM 423 Improvements (US 380 - Eldorado Pkwy)

Scope: Replace existing twolane asphalt roadway with sixlane concrete roadway with median, curb, and gutter.

Est. start of construction is

#### 10 Independence Parkway (SH121 - Main)

Scope: Construct the western two lanes of Independence Parkway from SH 121 to Rolater and four lanes from Rolater to Main Street. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway.

Est. completion of construction is February 2008.

## 11 Lebanon (Village - FM 423)

Scope: Construct the southern two lanes of Lebanon Road from Village to FM 423 including a three lane bridge at Stewart Creek. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway.

Est. start of construction is October 2007.

## 12 Legacy Drive (Citation -

Scope: Construct the eastern three lanes. This will provide a six-lane roadway in this section. Landscaping, irrigation, and street lighting are included in this project. Design complete. Estimated start of construction is August 2007.

## 13 Ohio Overpass (SH 121) Scope: Ohio Drive Overpass at

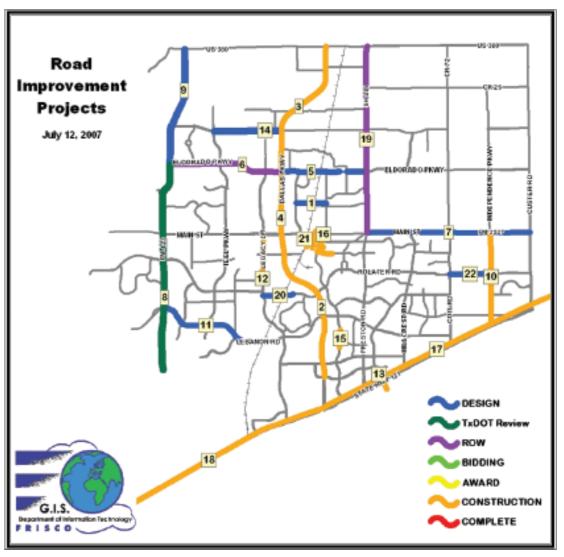
Est. completion of construc-

tion is December 2007.

## 14 Panther Creek Parkway (DNT - Teel)

Scope: Construction of fourlane divided roadway including landscape, irrigation, and street lighting. Extend four lanes of Legacy Drive to connect with Panther Creek Parkway.

Est. completion of design is September 2007



#### Parkwood Drive (Lebanon - Warren)

Scope: Construction of the two western (southbound) lanes including landscape, irrigation, and street lighting.

Est. completion of construction is October 2007

## 16 Selected Old Town Streets

Scope: Reconstruction of the following streets to concrete with curb and gutter:

- First Street (West Main south
- Third (Oak north to Maple)
- Third (Main south to Ash)
- Fourth (Main north to Maple) - Sixth (Maple south to Hickory)
  - Pecan (Fifth to Seventh)
- Hickory (Fifth to Courtyard

Est. completion of construction is July 2008.

## 17 SH 121 Freeway DNT to

Scope: Construct main lanes on SH 121 from Dallas North Tollway to Hillcrest.

Est. completion of construction is November 2007.

#### 18 SH 121 Freeway FM 544 to DNT

Scope: Construct six main lanes and 6 lanes of frontage roads from FM 544 to Dallas North Tollway.

Est. completion of construction is December 2007.

## 19 SH 289/Preston Rd (Main - US 380)

Scope: Construct a six-lane divided roadway, which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This project will be let by TxDOT, which will pay for four lanes. The City of Frisco will pay for the construction of the two additional lanes. Two million dollars of the City of Frisco's four-and-a-half million dollar participation in this project pays for the previous construction of Preston Road south of Main Street. Currently, land is being acquired for the road widening.

## 20 Stonebrook Parkway (Legacy - Longhorn)

Scope: Construct four lanes with an underpass at the BNSF RR and a bridge at Stewart Creek. Project includes federal wetland permits & environmental coordi-

Est. completion of design and permitting is June 2008.

## 21 Frisco Square Blvd (Railroad Crossing)

Scope: Street Connection of Frisco Square Blvd. across the railroad tracks from Cooke Street to West Main Street. This is Phase 2 of the Frisco Square Street Improvements.

Est. completion of design is November 2007.

#### (Coit & 22 Rolater Independence)

Scope: Construct a four lane divided roadway, which will replace the existing dirt road.

Est. start of construction is October 2007.

